

## Message Text

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O 231556Z AUG 77 ZFF-4  
FM AMEMBASSY MANAGUA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACI IMMEDIATE 4139  
WHITE HOUSE WASHDC NIACI IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L MANAGUA 3959

LIMDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PDIP, NU  
SUBJECT: SIGNING CEREMONY FOR PANAMA CANAL TREATY

REF: (A) STATE 200243; (B) STATE 198648; (C) MANAGUA 3926

1. AS INDICATED IN REF C, EMBASSY ANTICIPATES THAT PRESIDENT SOMOZA WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO ATTEND THE SIGNING, OR ALMOST ANY OTHER, CEREMONY IN WASHINGTON. THE UNKNOWN FACTOR IS WHETHER SOMOZA'S HEALTH CONDITION WILL BE SUFFICIENTLY IMPROVED BY THE SEPTEMBER 6-9 PERIOD SO AS TO ENABLE HIM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SIGNING CEREMONY AND OTHER RELATED FUNCTIONS. (AS NOTED IN REF. C, SOMOZA IS CURRENTLY RECUPERATING IN THE MIAMI HEART INSTITUTE FROM A JULY 24 HEART ATTACK.

2. EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONTACT PRESIDENT SOMOZA'S AIDE, COL. ADONIS PORRAS, OR HIS PHYSICIAN, DR. WILLIAM PHILLIPS, BOTH OF WHOM CAN BE REACHED AT THE ABOVE-CITED MIAMI FACILITY, IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHETHER HIS HEALTH WOULD PERMIT HIM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SUBJECT CEREMONY.

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3. NO ONE PRESENTLY IN NICARAGUA CAN ANSWER FOR PRESIDENT SOMOZA AS TO WHETHER HE COULD PARTICIPATE IN THE SIGNING CEREMONY.

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